



## **Cultural Arts**

### **August 2016 Calendar Of Events**

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Cultural Arts & Community Events programs: [www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org)

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PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Facilities will be closed for holiday observance July 4.

#### **West Las Vegas Arts Center Fall I 2016 Class Registration** (all ages)

Registration open through Sept. 7 for six-week session of classes Sept. 7- Oct. 15.

West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

Cultural arts classes offered include Kemetic Yoga, Kemetic Yoga for Children, African Dance for Children, African Dance for Teens/Adults, African Drum, Ballet for Children, Ballet – Beginner/Intermediate, Ballet – Intermediate/Advanced, Modern Dance – Intermediate, Hip Hop/Funk – Beginner, Hip Hop/Funk – Intermediate/Advanced, Capoeira/Martial Arts, Recording & Engineering - The Relationship of Mind Over Matter, and the Cultural Arts Ensembles – Children's African Dance & Drum and Performance Ensemble. To register online, visit [www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org) or call 702-229-4800.

#### **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Performing & Visual Arts Summer Camp for Kids Gala** (all ages)

Friday, Aug. 12, 7 p.m.

Admission is free, but a ticket is required to attend the performance.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 West Lake Mead Blvd., 702-507-3989.

Enjoy the youth performances resulting from their summer study of dance, music, theatre and participation in leadership workshops. For 20 years, the West Las Vegas Arts Center and the West Las Vegas Library Theatre have been the home of the Performing & Visual Arts Summer Camp for Kids, providing community youth with pivotal opportunities for civil engagement and social justice projects through the disciplines of arts education. Co-sponsored by the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District. This project was made possible in part by the NV Energy Foundation. Please call 702-229-4800 for tickets and more information.

#### **Poets' Corner** (ages 17+)

Hosted by Keith Brantley

Friday, Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Free and open to the public.

West Las Vegas Arts Center Community Gallery, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

A monthly forum for established poets and open-mic participants featuring the best local poetry talent. Call 702-229-4800 for more information or visit [www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org).

#### **Rainbow Company Youth Theatre Student Ensemble Audition** (ages 10-17)

Saturday, Aug. 20, 1 p.m.

No charge to audition; if accepted into the company there is a \$50 annual fee.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 702-229-6383.

Serious theatre students ages 10-17 are welcome to audition for this intensive program. The Ensemble meets on Tuesday evenings during the school year. Students take classes and participate in Rainbow Company productions, both backstage and on stage. For more information, call 702-229-6553 or visit

[www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org).

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**20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary****Performing & Visual Arts Summer Camp for Kids 2016 - "AMANDLA...Power to US!" (all ages)**

Saturday, Aug. 20, 7 p.m.

Admission is free, but a ticket is required to attend the performance.

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts, 361 Symphony Park Ave., 702-749-2542.

Written by Trinity Smith and Lablaque Williams, this musical production of "Amandla...Power to Us!", performed by youth and for youth, delves into the minds of young people in search of social justice and personal truths through dance, music and spoken word, based on their experiences highlighting the events of the 1976 youth uprising in Soweto, South Africa. Co-sponsored by the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District. This performance is made possible, in part, by a Clark County Outside Agency Grant, the NV Energy Foundation and community support. Please call 702-749-2000 for tickets. For more information, call 702-229-4800 or visit [www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org).

**GHOSTLIGHT Country Music Concert (all ages)**

Saturday, Aug. 27, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Free and open to the public.

Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park, 720 Twin Lakes Drive.

GHOSTLIGHT brings contemporary country music at its best to Lorenzi Park, with incredible music and outstanding showmanship. For information on these artists, visit <http://www.ghostlightcountry.com/>. Lawn seating; bring low-back lawn chairs or blankets to be more comfortable. Food and beverages will be available for purchase at cash bar. Call 702-229-3514 or visit [www.artslasvegas.org](http://www.artslasvegas.org) for details.

**Exhibitions****"Entertain" Exhibit**

Artist Cat Chiu Phillips

Through Jan. 13, 2017

Las Vegas City Hall Windows on First, 495 S. Main St. at First Street.

This space at city hall, known as the Windows on First, is part of the First Street Art Trail. The windows are currently exhibiting Cat Chiu Phillips' installation, "Entertain," open for the public to enjoy around the clock. The artwork is created entirely from discarded VHS tapes, cassette tapes, 35 mm photo negatives and slides, many of which have references to Las Vegas.

**"Aesthetics Primary" Exhibition**

May 26-Sept. 29, open during reception and by appointment only.

Artists' reception Thursday, Sept. 8, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Free admission.

Historic Fifth Street School Mayor's Gallery, 401 S. Fourth St., 702-229-1012.

Aesthetics Primary is an exhibit where the focus is on artists whose work could be defined as possessing aesthetic beauty or visual pleasure and each artist is asked to comment on how they are influenced by aesthetics in a brief written statement. Artists include: Ali Fathollahi, Dave Rowe, David Ohlerking, Felicia Mora, Ghiasar Nejad Hanzali, Gig DePio, James Stanford, Justin Favela, Kathleen Nathan, Kim Johnson, Laura McEwan-Dase, Linda Alterwitz, Maureen Halligan, Nanda Sharifpour, Noelle Garcia, Robert Beckmann, Rossitza Todorova, Salley Sawyer, Shelbi Schroeder, Susanne Forestieri, Valentin Yordanov, Wendy Chambers and Yvette LaForce. Call 702-229-1012 for appointment and information.

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### **KD Matheson Exhibit of Recent Ceramic Works**

June 30 – Sept. 8; hours Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; closed weekends and holidays.

Reception date to be determined.

Free admission and open to the public.

Las Vegas City Hall Grand Gallery, 495 S. Main St., first floor.

KD Matheson will be showing ceramic work he recently completed. The work follows along the same line as most of his other work, where he combines personal mythology with that of other cultures through time. Call 702-229-1012 for more information.

### **Science Versus Fiction – Climate Change and Future Plans**

July 14 – Sept. 22; hours Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; closed weekends and holidays.

Artists' reception Tuesday, Sept. 6, 5 to 7 p.m.

Free admission and open to the public.

Las Vegas City Hall Chamber Gallery, 495 S. Main St., second floor.

Invited artists interpret the possible outcomes of the future by using science and/or science fiction as an influence. What will climate change ultimately produce of the human race on earth? Will we move to another planet or develop a world under the earth? Will we live and let live? Or will we do damage to one another through our differing beliefs and culture? The proposed ideas behind the artwork in this exhibit will possibly be out of this world! Featured artists include Daniel Miller, Deirdre Pope, Elizabeth Blau, Kim Johnson, Lisa Ditrich, Peter Mengert, Robert Beckmann, Steve Horlock, Stewart Freshwater and Vezun. Call 702-229-1012 for more information.

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